

Jelinek Cork faced red tape rebuilding after fire

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of legislation for farmers alone, dictating every detail down to the colour an egg farmer is allowed to paint the inside of their barn."

Chudleigh went on to say that according to an analysis by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, the burden of regulation costs the Ontario economy \$11 billion a year.

"That's \$11 billion that could be invested into thousands of new jobs for Ontarians," said Chudleigh.

Chudleigh said an elected PC government would cut red tape by appointing a minister who would be responsible for reducing the regulatory burden by a minimum of 30 per cent by the end of the first PC mandate.

A PC government would also hold the premier and cabinet accountable by docking their pay if this 30 per cent goal is not reached.

Finally, Chudleigh said, a PC government would give small businesses a formal, impossible-to-ignore, voice in any new legislation or regulation that affects the economy, with the Small Business Bill of Rights.

"There is a clear choice," said Scott.

"Dalton McGuinty and the NDP who think it is government's highest purpose to create more red tape and choke job



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TRAGEDY AVERTED: Ontario PC MPP Ted Chudleigh and Ontario PC candidate Larry Scott discussed relief for Oakville small businesses, along with small business owner Sonny Jelinek, left.

creation or Tim Hudak and the Ontario PC Party who will stop the growing creep of government regulation, cut red tape

and create jobs."

Jelinek said he liked the idea of less government regulation hampering his

business.

"Any time a government steps up and says they are going to remove red tape or reduce a regulatory burden for our business, it's a great thing," he said.

"When there is a burden, when there are regulatory issues, when there are taxes unfairly imposed, like the hydro rates during prime business hours, it is difficult for me to operate a business and create that wealth, which will pump back taxes into the province, which will employ people within the community and enable us to sponsor local sports teams and arts programs."

Jelinek went on to say the Jelinek Cork location on Speers Road suffered a terrible fire about a year ago and while he believes the facility will be fully back in operation in the next few months, the process of rebuilding, he said, was slowed considerably by the red tape he encountered.

"It truly was a lesson in regulation. A good percentage of our time was spent on regulation and ensuring we are doing things correctly to get back in," said Jelinek.

"We probably would have saved four to five months had we not had that particular burden."

"Rebuilding after a fire is getting PHD in red tape," said Chudleigh.

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